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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to FIG. 1. This sheet, which includes Fig. 1, replaces the original sheet including Fig. 1.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The above amendments and these remarks are in response to the Office action mailed on June 19, 2007. Claims 1, 4, 6, 8 and 12 have been amended. Claims 2, 3, 11 and 13 have been canceled. Claims 1, 4-10, 12 and 14-18 are now pending in this application. Reconsideration on the basis of the above amendments and remarks below is kindly requested.

The Examiner objected to the drawings. FIG. 1 has been amended to include the label "(PRIOR ART)" to overcome this objection. A Replacement Sheet including FIG. 1 is enclosed herein.

The Examiner objected to claims 3-10, 12 and 14-18 but stated that these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of their base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 1 has been rewritten to include the limitations of claim 3. Claim 6 has been rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of its base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 8 has been rewritten in independent form including the limitations of its base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 12 has been rewritten in independent form including the limitations of its base claim and any intervening claims. As such, Applicant submits that claims 1, 6, 8 and 12 are now in condition for allowance. The remaining claims are directly or indirectly dependent from either claim 1, claim 6 or claim 8. As such, Applicant submits that the remaining claims are also in condition for allowance for the same reasons as the claims from which they depend from and for the additional limitations that these claims contain therein.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 11 and 13. As stated, claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation of claim 3. Claims 2, 11 and 13 have been canceled.

The rejections and objections to all claims pending in this application are believed to have been overcome and this application is now believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the

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Examiner have any remaining questions or concerns about the allowability of this application,
the Examiner is kindly requested to call the undersigned attorney to discuss them.

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APPENDIX